

Alaska Local and Regional Information

Workforce Info

Platinum

Platinum is a second class city located on the Bering Sea coast, on the south spit of Goodnews Bay. It is about 125 miles southwest of Bethel. Platinum is a major supplier of gravel to area villages. Platinum is part of the Bethel Census Area.

- ◆ The estimated population for 2008 was 47, a gain of about 6 since the 2000 Census.
- ◆ About 71 percent of the resident population 16+ years old worked in 2008.
- ◆ Trade, Transportation and Utilities and Local Government were the main industries in 2008, each employing 38 percent of the area's workers.
- ◆ More workers were employed as Stock Clerks and Order Fillers than any other occupation.

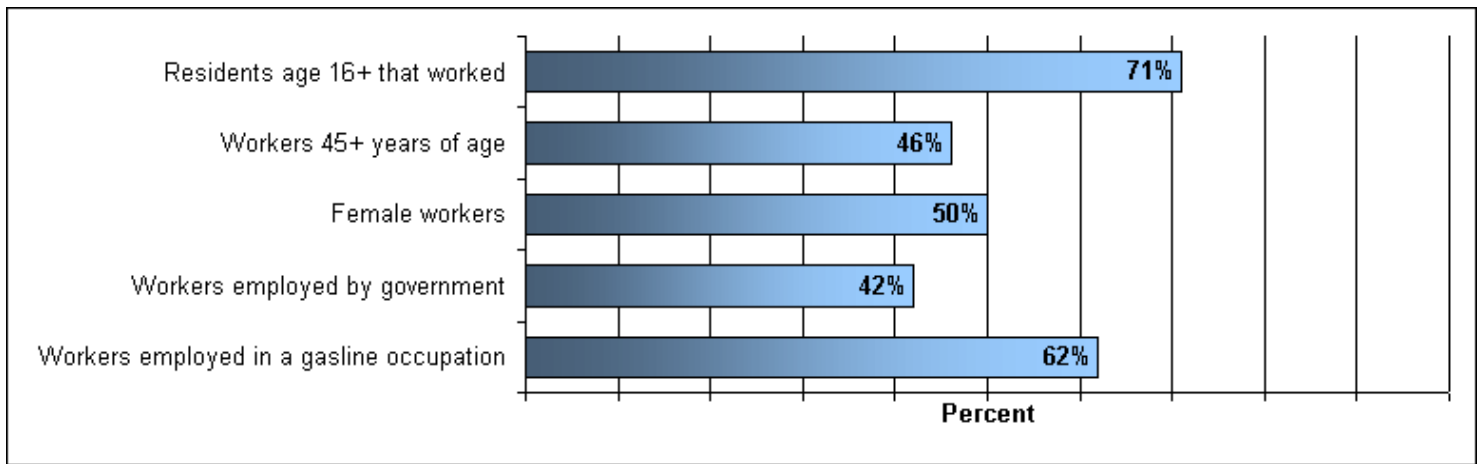
Please note: There is an important distinction between the local/regional employment data and our "standard" employment series. Most of these data reflect totals for area residents only. Total worker counts may be lower than expected in areas with a large number of nonresident workers. The Alaska Permanent Fund dividend file is used to determine the worker's geographic residence. Only Alaska residents (as defined by PFD application) are included in these totals. Also note that federal employees, the military, and the self-employed are not included in these data.

Platinum Resident Snapshot (2008)

| Working Age Residents | | Wages | |
|---------------------------------|----|---|-----------|
| Residents age 16+ | 34 | Total wages | \$337,513 |
| Resident Worker Characteristics | | Resident Workers by Sector | |
| Total | 24 | Private | 14 |
| Male | 12 | State government | 1 |
| Female | 12 | Local government | 9 |
| Age 45+ | 11 | Quarterly Number of Resident Workers | |
| Age 50+ | 8 | Peak (3rd) quarter workers | 20 |
| | | Percent working all 4 quarters | 50.0% |
| Unemployment | | Construction/AGIA Occupation Experience (2004-2008) | |
| UI Claimants | 3 | Some construction | 3 |
| | | At least 1 year construction | 2 |
| | | At least 2 years construction | 1 |
| New Hires | | Worked in an AGIA occupation | 24 |
| New hires | 10 | | |

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2008 Residents

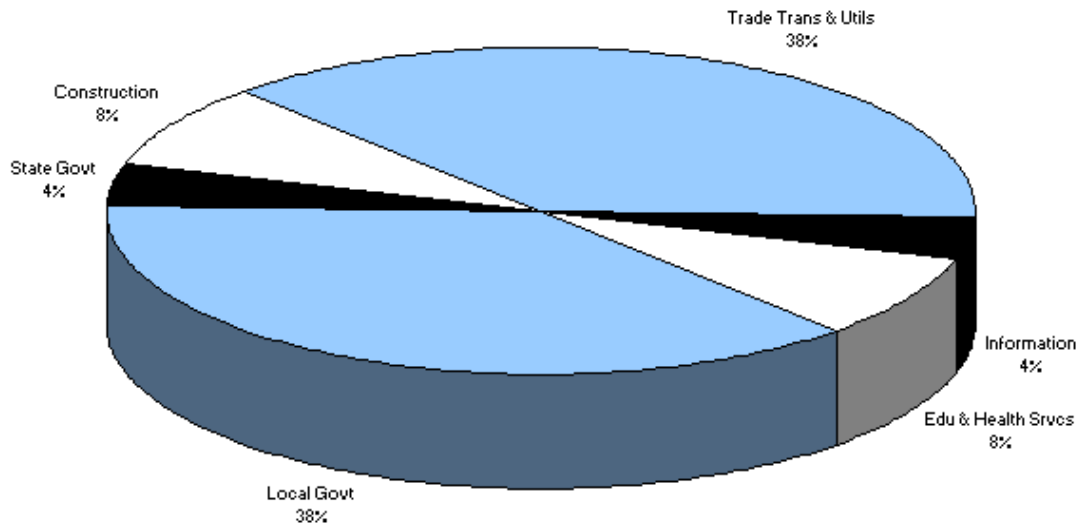


Top Occupations

| | Number employed | Percent female | Age 45+ | Age 50+ |
|--|--------------------|----------------|---------|---------|
| Stock Clerks and Order Fillers AGIA | 5 | 80.0% | 2 | 2 |

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Resident Workers by Industry



Workers by Industry

| | Number employed | Percent female | Age 45+ | Age 50+ |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------|----------------|---------|---------|
| Natural Resources and Mining | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0 |
| Construction | * | * | * | * |
| Manufacturing | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0 |
| Trade, Transportation and Utilities | 9 | 66.7% | 4 | 4 |
| Information | * | * | * | * |
| Financial Activities | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0 |
| Professional and Business Services | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0 |
| Educational and Health Services | * | * | * | * |
| Leisure and Hospitality | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0 |
| State Government | * | * | * | * |
| Local Government | 9 | 33.3% | 5 | 4 |
| Other | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0 |
| Unknown | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0 |

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Recent Unemployment Statistics

| | 09/2009 | 10/2009 | 11/2009 | 12/2009 |
|----------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| UI Claimants** | 1 | 1 | 2 | 4 |

**UI claimants are individuals in this area who had an active claim at any time during the month.

Top Employers (ranked by number of workers)

| |
|---------------------------------|
| Arviq Inc |
| Platinum City of |
| Platinum Traditional Village C |
| Lower Kuskokwim School District |
| Knik Construction Inc |
| Bristol Bay Area Health Corp |
| United Utilities Inc |
| State of AK (excludes U of A) |
| Flight Alaska Inc |

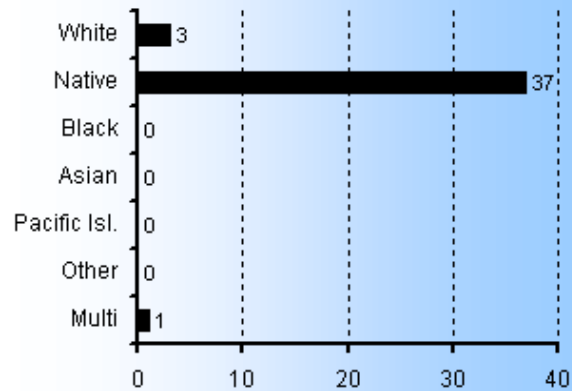
Population over Time



2000 Census

| | |
|-------------------------|----------|
| Median Age | 32.5 |
| Average Family Size | 2.9 |
| Average Household Size | 2.4 |
| Per Capita Income | \$7,632 |
| Median Family Income | \$22,500 |
| Median Household Income | \$21,250 |

Population by Race



(Note: Racial classification is based on self identification. The "Multi" category consists of those who claim to be members of more than one race. The "Native" category includes Alaska Natives and American Indians.)

Source: Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Research and Analysis Section
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